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Red Cross Voted Best Design

Israel Readies High Value Air

Some time in March Israel will release the first denomination, a 1000 pruta, in a seven stamp airmail series. The remaining six will be released from time to time during the next twelve months.

All values were designed by G. Hamori of Tel Aviv with the lettering being the work of Windstruski.

Pictured on the forthcoming item is a view of Tel Aviv-Jaffa (Old Jaffa) in dark green and light green. Lewin-Epstein used photolithography to print it in panes of 25 with five descriptive tabs adjacent to the bottom row. The plate number is 73.

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On January 4 Israel released a new stamp booklet which contained definitive stamps of the Coin design. It has six 5p; six 10p; and twelve 30p.

Archangel Raphael Partly Perforated

The 250-lire "Archangel Raphael" airmail of Vatican City has been found with top sheet margin imperforate, according to P. Ostrow, Elizabeth, N. J.

Mr. Ostrow reports that he has obtained two copies of this hitherto unreported error.

Philippine Envelope For International Fair

To publicize the Philippine International Fair being held in Manila from February 1 to April 30 the Bureau of Posts on February 1 issued a 6c embossed envelope made by surcharging the former #5 2c denomination.

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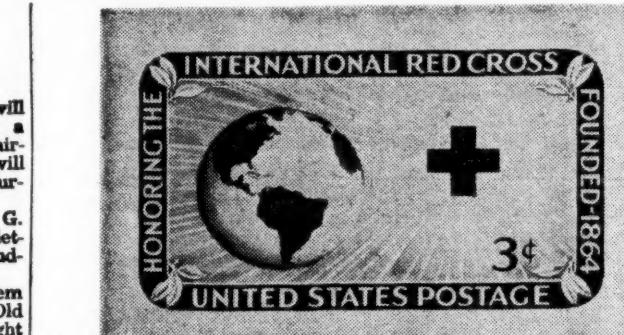
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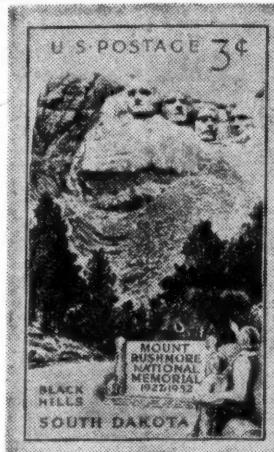
BEST DESIGN, AND MOST APPROPRIATE. The bi-colored Red Cross was named by voters in the Fifth Annual Design Derby as the best looking of the 1952 issues, and also as having the design Most Appropriate To The Subject.



80¢ AIRMAIL RATES SECOND BEST TITLE. While not a commemorative, but an airmail addition to the regular series of airmails, this design had sufficient appeal to earn second best looking design.



"THIS ONE SHOULD STOOD IN BED", said voters... The B & O R.R. 125th Anniversary commem was considered Least Necessary of all last year's stamps.



THE WORST OF THE FOURTEEN. Voters slipped the blackball to this one. Mt. Rushmore was made the stamp with the Worst Design in 1952.

Two Day Exhibition For Aurora Collectors

A display of stamps and coins will make up the exhibits in the first show to be sponsored by the Fox Valley Stamp and Coin Club of Aurora, Ill.

Scene of the exhibition will be the YMCA — dates are February 28 and March 1. Only club members and those of the immediate local area will show off their hobby with most of the popular categories of stamp and coin collecting on

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Besides the show, there will also be a bourse where devotees of both avocations can purchase items. The public is welcome to attend.

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Is Also Most Appropriate; B & O Said Least Necessary, Mount Rushmore Is Worst

By the thumpingest majority ever given a winner in the five annual design contests the Red Cross commem easily captured the laurels in the Fifth Annual Design Derby which considered the stamps issued by the United States Post Office Department in 1952. Not only did the Red Cross come out as the "Best Design," it also was a shoo-in winner of the stamp with the "Most Appropriate Design." The big battle was for second best—the Engineers, Bible and 80c Airmail running nip and tuck right to the finish. Surprisingly, it was the high-value airmail which beat the commems out of the number two spot.

FIFTH ANNUAL DESIGN DERBY RESULTS

Votes Best Design	% of Votes Worst Design	% of Votes Least Necessary	% of Votes Most Appropriate
Red Cross 2443	Rushmore 32.2	B & O RR 25.0	Red Cross 28.2
80c Airmail 833	NATO 12.8	Newsboys 17.8	Bible 10.8
Bible 730	Coulee 10.8	AAA 12.5	Engineers 9.4
Engineers 642	Lafayette 8.3	Lafayette 5.5	B & O RR 9.3
B & O RR 348	AAA 8.2	A. S. Women 5.2	Rushmore 8.2
Ross 314	Bible 6.5	(tie) 5.1	A. S. Women 6.5
Rushmore 310	Newsboys 5.3	NATO (tie) 5.1	Ross 5.7
Lafayette 276	A. S. Women 5.1	Airmail 4.9	4-H 5.0
A. S. Women 252	B & O RR 3.8	Engineers 4.2	Coulee 4.9
4-H 222	Ross 3.4	Newsboys 3.8	Ross 4.0
NATO 175	4-H 2.3	Coulee 3.9	NATO 3.2
Newsboys 159	Engineers 1.2	Airmail 2.9	Red Cross 1.5
Coulee 126	Airmail 0.1	Lafayette 1.2	Bible 1.0
AAA 64	Red Cross 0.0		AAA 0.9
	6894	100.0	100.0

In third place voters chose the Bible stamp.

In fourteenth place, last, was the American Automobile Association Golden Jubilee. Voters didn't seem to care one way or another about this item with the exception that it was given some heavy attention as one of the three "Least Necessary" issues.

The number of readers participating in this year's balloting set a new record with 6894 sending in their votes. The previous high was 5717 in 1951.

Three stamps were given practically all the attention for the "Least Necessary". Winner of this "crown of thorns" was the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad 125th Anniversary commem which provoked quite a bit of controversy, most of it against issuance, from the time it was first announced.

Nevertheless, while the voters thought its release was decidedly not in order, they did think well enough of it to name it the fifth best design.

Also frowned on heavily as Least Necessary were the Newsboys, and the AAA. From comments accompanying the votes readers felt that the B & O, Newsboys and the AAA were all the result of high pressure tactics on the part of skilled public relations men who sold the Post Office Department a bill of goods.

Even though the Red Cross was considered the stamp with the Design Most Appropriate To The Subject, some of the others were approved as well. These, in their proper order after the Red Cross, were the Bible, Engineers, B & O and the Mt. Rushmore Memorial.

So well did the Red Cross and the 80c Airmail sell themselves as attractive stamps to the philatelic public that only 2 votes out of the 6894 total were cast for the former as the Worst Design, and 7 for the latter. For all practical purposes both could be considered unanimously approved.

The "Worst Design" title went to a stamp which had an extremely poor handling of the picture subject matter — the Mount Rush-

more. The featured part of this presentation was so tiny that the whole resolved itself into a green-colored blur.

Another green-colored issue, the Grand Coulee was considered the third worst design, for apparently the same reason. Second worst was the NATO, a purple-colored item in the regular postage size.

The winning Red Cross was the last stamp issued in 1952, at the A. S. D. A. National Postage Stamp Show at New York City, on November 21. It was the first in two colors, other than the dollar value Presidents, for many years. And, it was the first stamp printed on a newly developed multi-color rotary press still in the experimental stage at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

While undoubtedly the bi-color exerted a sizeable influence on its favorable acceptance, the design was nevertheless pleasingly executed and skillfully engraved. It won on merit and not razzle-dazzle.

Issuance of the second most attractive 80c Airmail on March 26 last was strictly a utility matter as far as the Post Office Department was concerned. It is to pay the one pound air parcel post rate to Hawaii.

In a red violet, fanned Diamond Head at Honolulu is shown framed by palm trees.

Originally, the third place Bible commem was intended to have an almost entirely religious significance. Vocal objections by various lobby interests caused the

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**Everyone A Dealer,
Theme Of Round-Up**

"Be a Dealer for a Day" is the theme of the February 8 get together of the Willamette Valley stamp clubs of Oregon, when the Albany Philatelic Society plays host. The affair will be held at the Veterans Memorial Hall, 5th and Lyon streets, Albany from 2 to 5 p. m.

Free tables will be provided to anyone who has surplus material to sell so there will be a thriving bourse when collectors become "dealers for a day." In addition one of Portland's prominent dealers will have his usual bourse table.

There will also be an exhibit in an auction, a giant penny box, door prize and refreshments.

The exhibit is open to anyone who wants to bring material mounted in frames and there is no charge to show. The auction is also open to anyone, but limited to two lots per person and each lot must be different; there will be the customary fee of 10% charged for all material which is sold.

Refreshments (donuts and pop) will be served free.

**1953 Edition Of
Scott's Popular**

The second edition of Scott's Popular Stamp Catalog, the \$3 simplified version of Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue, has just been published by Scott Publications, Inc., in an attractive new format.

The "Popular" is keyed to the needs of the beginning collector and the general collector who wants to collect only "face-different" stamps, disregarding changes of watermark and perforation.

The new edition has three columns to a page, instead of two. The flexible varnished cover is in a colorful green, black and white design. By increasing the page size to 7 x 10 inches, the publishers have lessened the bulk and cut the number of pages to 680, or nearly in half.

Extensive revisions include the addition of the more popular occupation issues and the 5,000 or so new issues which have appeared since the first (1951) edition. Many thousands of prices have been changed.

The "Popular" lists and prices the postage stamps, commemoratives, semipostals and airmail stamps of all countries. The U. S. listings also include the postage due, official, special delivery, newspaper, parcel post and revenue issues.

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The same numbers and prices are carried over from Scott's 1953 Standard Catalogue.

SPECIAL EDITIONS

Various dealers will want to time some of their advertising to appear in conjunction with the special editions of Linn's Weekly Stamp News sponsored by different specialist groups. These editions are always the last one of each month and contain a splendid amount of information about the particular country or specialty.

The next four editions of a special nature are as follows:

February 23 — Philatelic Library Association.

March 30 — AMERPO (Traveling Post Offices & Sea Post Offices)

April 27 — Christmas and Charity Seal Society.

May 25 — Scouts On Stamps Society.

Further inquiries can be directed to this paper by interested dealers.

Clubs or societies agreeable to sponsoring a special edition can get the details on request.

**Canada Easter Seals
For Crippled Kids**

Canada's 1953 edition of Easter Seal's will soon be available to the general public and stamp and seal collectors.

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1953 is the seventh year these colorful items have been issued by the Canadian Council for Crippled Children, 92 College St., Toronto 2, Ontario, Canada.

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The seals are produced in sheets of 100 and can be obtained perf or imperf at one dollar per sheet. That price applies to sheets of any of the six previous years. Also available is a complete set in blocks of the seven years, perforated, at one dollar. Progressive color proofs in blocks are available at 25¢ per year.

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**Garfield-Perry
Show March 27 To 29**

When the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, Ohio opens the doors to the March 27 to 29 show it will be the 23rd annual exhibition sponsored by the group. As usual, the "March Party" so-called, will have its share of fine stamp displays and other events delightful to the heart of a philatelist.

It is still possible for dealers to make a bourse reservation by writing to Nelson P. LaGanke, Stamp-Ade Co., Carnegie Hall, Cleveland, Ohio.

On Saturday afternoon a comprehensive auction is offered, in the evening the annual banquet, and open at regular hours will be a philatelic agency operated by the local post office in the exhibition room.

General chairman is John Andrew.

**Inverted Surcharge
On Greek Airmail**

It has recently been discovered that the 20dr. red surcharge has appeared in an inverted position on the 50dr. violet air mail issue of Greece. This stamp with the surcharge in the normal position is listed as No. 473, in Scott's Catalog.

To date, only one sheet of this error has been announced. The possessor of this philatelic prize is Kyriakos G. Lemodetis, treasurer of the Hellenic Philatelic Society.

**Clubs Join Efforts
To Stage Exhibition**

From noon until 10 p. m. on Sunday March 1 the Ferndale and Birmingham, Mich. Stamp Clubs will stage an exhibition and bourse in the Lincoln High School cafeteria at Ferndale.

A chicken dinner which is open to all interested persons is to be served at 5 p.m. Further details can be gotten from Orian E. Green, 555 W. Drayton Ave., Ferndale 20, Mich.

**Another Scarce
Prexy Plate**

Possibility that one of the current Presidential 2c regular plate numbers might fall in the "scarce" category is indicated by the report of the Post Office Department concerning plate activity at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in December.

The item is No. 24383, 2c Presidential in a 400 subject plate. A total of 98,675 impressions were made from it.

Likewise with a relatively small use is another 2c Presidential plate No. 24347, also 400 subjects, from which 266,746 impressions were taken.

Two other plates were cancelled after more than one million impressions, both 3c Presidential coil of 170 subjects each—numbers are 24287 and 24292.

In December the numbers assigned to plates for the printing of postage stamps were all for items in the Presidential series. They are:

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After an introduction, the body consists of a complete check list of trains and other railroad equipment pictured on postage stamps. There are about 2000 pieces of equipment from some 400 different types from nearly 100 countries. The list includes country, catalog number, and description. Stamps not recognized by Scott's Catalog, but listed by other prominent catalog publishers are considered as well as all Scott-listed stamps.

In addition to the checklist, several descriptions and sample album write-ups are included to give collectors some ideas for possible research material to be included with the stamps. Over five full pages of engravings will illustrate some of the trains on stamps.

Price of "The Equipment Register of the Philatelic Railroad" is one dollar from the American Topical Association Book Dept. No. 6, 3306 N. 50th St., Milwaukee 16, Wis.

Delivery will be in March; advance orders, however, will insure a printing order sufficient to meet demand.

Book Is Collection Of Stamp Articles

Reading matter from many sources are contained in "Adventures In Philately," published by Brooks Literary Enterprises, 1553 S. Ridgway Ave., Chicago 23, Ill. The text is made up mostly of previously published articles of the author and editor, Edwin L. Brooks.

The subject matter is quite varied ranging from "how to do it" and stories about stamps and the hobby, to a briefing on the various fields one might enter.

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Two Day Exhibition At Dearborn, Michigan

February 21 and 22 have been chosen as the dates for the annual exhibition of the Dearborn Stamp Club. The bourse and show are to be set up in the Miller School, Lois and Michigan Aves., Dearborn Mich.

The post office of Dearborn will establish a philatelic agency at the exhibition at which collectors can purchase well-centered commemoratives at face value.

Doors will open at 12 noon each day. The public is invited to attend.

Annual POLPEX At End Of February

What has now become a Chicago institution, the POLPEX of the Polonus Philatelic Society, will have its 14th annual presentation February 27, 28 and March 1. Scene of the display is to be the Polish Falcon Hall, 1062 N. Ashland Ave. in Chicago.

Besides a bourse, visitors can also share in the beebea, a traditional part of the show program. This year's general chairman is Barney Fialkowski, 2633 N. Emmet St., Chicago 47, Ill.

Two Day Annual GAPEX March 7, 8

Now in the midst of preparations for the annual exhibition and bourse of the Gage Park Stamp Club are the recently elected officers. President Joseph Dill has as his official family vice president O. K. Rich, and secretary-treasurer Mrs. J. Horacek, 2701 W. 55th St., Chicago, Ill.

The show will occupy the Gage Park Field House March 7 and 8, the group's regular meeting place. General chairman is Frank Illichman, 5667 S. Artesian Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Philatelic Window At Lexington, Ky.

There will be a philatelic window for collectors of the Lexington, Ky. area. It will be manned by a person having some knowledge of collecting.

The innovation was brought about when the Lexington postmaster was impressed with the demand for commemorative issues by his clients.



Kenneth M. Gierhart
Baltimore, Ohio

NEW BUREAUS.

As reported by Klein Brothers of Vincennes Ind. These are items that have come on the market in the past 30 days. It is quite possible that others of recent vintage have been seen.

Grouping the listings we find 1½ sheet stamp from Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Culver City, Calif.; East St. Louis, Ill.; Shreveport, La.; Jamaica, N.Y.; Niagara Falls, N.Y.; Warren, O.; Port Arthur, Tex.; 1½c coil stamp from Bakersfield, Calif.; Logansport, Ind.; Beaumont, Texas; and Arlington Va.

2c sheet stamps from No. Holly N.Y.; 1c sheet stamp from Lafayette La. and Niagara Falls, N.Y. 22c sheet stamp from Atlanta, Georgia.

Sears Roebuck has been quite a user of precancels down Atlanta way recently. Perhaps these were ordered for the Sears people.

NEW NATOS

Louisville and Black Lick, Ohio. Irvington, Nebr. and Oak Grove, Mo. Although not seen I have heard that Lexington, Ky. has pre-cancelled the NATO with its Electro which I believe is a U-17n.

All Offices Held By Kansas Girls

The nation has many spirited and interested junior stamp clubs, and to be counted among the most active of them is the Junior Coffeyville, Kansas Collectors Club. There youngsters so impressed the city fathers with their enthusiasm for the hobby that without cost, the city council chambers are turned over to them the first Tuesday of each month for their meetings.

Such a going club didn't just happen — it had an adult hand or so in its origination — in this instance, Leo A. McKee, a former president of the senior Coffeyville Collectors Club. The current junior directors are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Redinger.

While the club has both girls and boys it is an all-girl group of officers which handles the executive work. They are president Sandy McNabney; vice president Di-

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Falling Gum

This is perhaps a new disease that is attacking U. S. stamps. It is not unlike falling hair, leaves the back of the stamps rather bald if you know what I mean.

A Mr. Thomas A. Bain III, of Portsmouth, Virginia has called it to our attention and being unable to diagnose the case we asked him to refer it to the Bureau of Engraving or the Bureau of Standards at Washington and let us know the outcome.

Anyhow Mr. Bain wrote us a short time ago and enclosed blocks of the 3c Progress of Women stamp and the William Allen White stamp. On both blocks the gum had entirely disappeared so he claimed. Both blocks showed the paper being slightly stained and it felt a bit heavier than it would if the gum had been soaked or washed from the stamps.

Mr. Bain says "to me this is a perplexing situation. I have no idea what has caused this condition because I bought the stamps from the post office in mint condition."

Our first thought was that Mr. Bain might have become a victim of the cellulose acetate pockets which we know have been the cause of ruination of gum on many stamps, but he claimed that he had

GEORGE W. LINN

the blocks in ordinary glassine envelopes and kept them in an Army Surplus Ammunition Box. It just so happens that I have a few such boxes in my basement which I acquired with a lot of stamps from another collector.

I first made an examination of these boxes and found them made of metal, about as air tight as possible because the lids are closed over a rubber gasket that makes them air tight.

Considering that Mr. Bain lives in Portsmouth and that he kept his stamps in such boxes led to the belief that it was a combination of the kind of atmosphere that must be prevalent in a seashore town like Portsmouth, plus the air tight condition of the boxes. It is our belief that paper to keep it alive must have some air. If enclosed in the air tight container it is much more apt to dry out and become brittle than if the air is permitted to come in contact with it. It is for just such reasons that stamps kept in some of the various cellulose acetate pockets cause the gum to fuse and become of a glass like surface on the backs of the stamps.

While we are not chemists and can not definitely explain the processes that have caused these stamps in both instances to lose their gum, we do feel that the general idea we have must be about right, for what else could cause such a situation.

We are glad to print this information in the hope that it will warn others who perhaps may have stamps which they are keeping under similar conditions. We hope that Mr. Bain will be able to get from Washington, a correct technical or scientific explanation of this problem which we will be glad to pass on to our readers if available.

Of one thing we are certain and that is that the quality of paper that is now used in our stamps and that has been used for many years past is such as to cause trouble unless stamps are properly housed.

After such stamps become just so old and have been kept under certain conditions they are about ready to disintegrate. I well remember a number of 1898 revenues which I examined at one time. I happened to hold one of the stamps between two fingers, much the same as one might hold a cigar between two fingers, one finger at each side of the cigar or stamp. When squeezing the fingers together a bit of the stamp disintegrated and fell in small crumbs and in many small pieces. It was simply a case of all of the life having gone out of the paper, due doubtless to the manner or means by which the stamps had been laid away.

In the early days paper was made of 100% rag fibre. As time went on other means were found by which paper is made, first it was by reducing the amount of rag fibre and adding other things until today much of the paper we use has no rag content at all but is made wholly of wood fibre. Such paper will rot out over a period of years and thus the stamps of today will not live as long as our early stamps. It is therefore necessary that we use more care in preserving our stamps. On stamps like the Columbians of 1893 we find the gum in a crinkled condition. Gum too has undergone many changes in the method of manufacture. Some of it is worse than others and gum can and will help in the destruction of our stamps.

If you have such stamps and hope to preserve them the only solution is to wash the gum from such stamps.

One often wonders what stamps of today will look like in another fifty years. Will we still have them or will they fall apart, being eaten up from the chemicals in the paper, in the gum and perhaps in the ink on the stamps.

From such a standpoint perhaps the safest stamps in the world printed on the best paper that is used for any postage stamps and to collect are British Colonials for the British Colonials are still printed on the best paper that is used for any postage stamps and their life is therefore of longer expectancy than that of any other stamps.

Washing gum from stamps would be the one surest, safest and easiest way to add life to our stamps. Will the stamp collecting fraternity ever come to its senses and adopt this method before it becomes too late?

Next week I am going to give reasons why I think we should adopt the plan of removing gum from our stamps. I should be glad after that if anyone wishes to say anything against the plan as I believe discussion of such matters might lead to a solution of the problem.

Our Silver Anniversary

Last Wednesday my secretary laid a note on my desk, it read... "The subscriptions from your 25th anniversary editorial are really coming in with good wishes from all. We had 235 today." That is just an example of what has been happening for several weeks past. Many do not apparently read the card notice we send out about renewals, whereby if you will renew your own subscription for two years at \$1.00 per year, you are permitted to send us the name of a friend collector in the U.S.A. to whom we will send the paper one full year with your compliments. This name must be that of someone who is not now a subscriber. By such means we are adding hundreds of new names. Keep it up, we are shooting for 50,000 by the end of this year.

DOUBLE IMPRESSIONS—by Well



Reidar Tvedt New UN Postal Chief

When Bertil Renborg retired recently as head of the UN Postal Administration, his assistant was appointed to the vacancy. This man was Reidar Tvedt who had served the United Nations in New York City in various capacities since 1946.



Reidar Tvedt, a Norwegian, was born in Oslo, Norway, on October 13, 1909. He graduated from college in 1928, and from 1929 to 1931 continued studying in the commercial and business field. In 1932, he became Executive Secretary of the Norwegian Sports Association. Mr. Tvedt is a keen sportsman, his chief interests being tennis, skiing, cross-country running, and soccer. After the war, he became vice-president of the Norwegian Ski Association.

In 1936, he worked as business manager of an Oslo newspaper, a post he relinquished in 1939 to enter service with the Royal Norwegian Ministry of Supply, where he was in charge of the designing, printing and distribution of ration cards, and where he worked on the collection of statistical data concerning various food products.

On July 22, 1946, he came to the United Nations, New York. He worked in the Conference Section, and later became Chief of the Pass and Information Section. In the Spring of 1952, he joined Mr. Renborg, as his assistant in the United Nations Postal Administration, and, upon Mr. Renborg's retirement at the end of September 1952, assumed the post of Chief of the United Nations Postal Administration.

Barovick Made SPA Vice President

Frederick Barovick of New York City, has been named vice-president of the Society of Philatelic Americans. He succeeds Ben Reeves of Chicago, who was elevated to the presidency of the group on the death of Ignatz Reiner.

Mr. Reeves made the appointment at a meeting of the Board of Directors, it getting unanimous approval. Mr. Barovick also takes over the duties of promotion and recruiting.

1953 STAMP PROGRAM

Feb. 23—National Guard 3c, Washington, D. C. (50 per pane, 110 million).

March 2—Ohio Statehood 3c, Chillicothe, Ohio.

March 2—Washington Territorial 3c, Olympia, Wash.

April 30—Louisiana Purchase, St. Louis, Mo.

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Special Covers For Columbus Exhibition

The Columbus Philatelic Club is holding its annual exhibition and bourse at the Southern Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, February 21-22.

The theme of the club's 1953 show is built around Ohio's Sesquicentennial. For this occasion the club has prepared a special cachet which is based upon the approved design for the Sesquicentennial. The cachet will be of raised printing in two colors, red and blue, making it one of the most beautiful yet offered by the club.

There will be a special cancellation used by the post office from February 15 to March 15 and all through the month of August. The show covers will be cancelled with this special cancellation. The cachets can be obtained from Henry Hackbarth, 404 Wyandotte Ave., Columbus 2, Ohio. Price for handling is 15¢ each or 7 for \$1.00.

Upon request the club will hold any of the cachets to be cancelled on March 2, 1953, at Chillicothe, Ohio, on the first day of the Ohio Sesquicentennial stamp.

The show's 150 frames of stamps and exhibits will follow the Sesquicentennial theme as closely as possible.

1953 Galvez Catalog For Spain Available

Collectors with a knowledge of the Spanish language and a desire to collect the stamps of Spain generally rather than in a specialized manner will find the 1953 edition of the "Catalogo Galvez, Precio Corriente de Sellos de Espana" a rather handy reference book to have around.

It contains a listing of all the stamps released until late 1952 with the exception of varieties caused by production such as watermark, perforation and shade.

To be found are the patriotic overprints, semipostals, telegraphs and war tax issues and many other side lines.

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By CARL P. RUETH

What I might term our most successful design derby is now philatelic history. I use the term "our" advisedly because if it hadn't been for so many of you who cooperated so graciously with your votes there just wouldn't have been a derby. And for that splendid interest, I say thanks a bushel!

The story on page one gives all the results. I believe they are what most of you expected with perhaps the second place best design winner being a surprise to a lot of people. In spite of a poor color, that 80c airmail had a picture which satisfied an awful lot of people.

The Mt. Rushmore as worst design was never in doubt both from the time of its appearance back in August when it got a general lambasting throughout the philatelic press, and after the vote counting got fairly started on its way. It was an out and out mis-handling of what could have been an inspiring design.

Then there were three stamps in the Best Design part of the Derby which were just ignored by the public. These were the American Automobile Association, the Grand Coulee Dam and the Newsboys.

Letters accompanying the votes indicated that collectors felt these had no right of issuance in the first place. Certainly none of the three could claim respectability as being events of national or historical importance.

The Baltimore & Ohio R.R. stamp which voters said was the Least Necessary was supported well in the Best Design category where it wound up in fifth place, and in the Design Most Appropriate To The Subject where it wound up in a practical tie for third.

Also considered Unnecessary in emphatic voting were the Newsboys and the AAA which as I pointed out above suffered from the scorn of the voters otherwise.

1. Of last year's fourteen stamps, how many of them have water in their designs?

2. Of last year's fourteen stamps name those which have men, women or children in their designs.

An Iowa voter was a little discouraged with most of last year's issues—and believe me he had a lot of company—so he made a few suggestions of his own for commemoratives.

One is for Hanball Upobb inventor of the concrete snow shovel; another for Albert V. Agnat who invented toothpicks with one end already broken off; and Hyman Slyman first and only man to write pretty with a post office pen.

One thing which was gratifying in this year's Derby was the participation of about a dozen junior clubs. Adult directors of half of them accompanied the ballots with words to the effect that the kids had first been told the significance of each of the stamps, and then had been given a simple exposition of what constitutes good basic art work in any picture medium.

The young folks weren't fooled either when it came to picking what they liked and disliked. Their voting paralleled the adults right down the line. In most instances they passed over the "Least Necessary". That one does require that the voter have a fair knowledge of history, current events and human obstinacy and cussedness.

I believe there are at least fifteen adult clubs which are awaiting the tally. They kept duplicates of the ballots their members marked. The one whose ballot comes nearest the final official results is awarded a substantial prize.

Most of those clubs have adopted the voting and the subsequent prize giving as one of their winter features. It is one program which has the merit of interest to every dues-

payer, and definitely one which requires a minimum amount of preparation.

Many comments were made about the colors in which the 14 of 1952 were printed. Time and again a voter asked why are our stamps printed in such flat washed out colors, and why are such seemingly inappropriate colors chosen for various stamps?

I can't answer that. It might be that the rotary presses won't print well with other kinds of ink. My personal opinion is against accepting that excuse for I hardly believe ingenuity is so dead at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing that something better can't be found and used.

It isn't a matter of using pastel colors either, for a pastel can have life and depth of tone. As an example, the red of the Red Cross stamp has it, but the blue itself is dead even though it is a satisfactory shade of blue.

I know the red cross was printed by a process different than engraved plates, and probably could use the live type of ink, but certainly somewhere there is ink for the engraved plates to give the same results.

In the countries abroad which have a reputation for well-designed and beautiful stamps, engraved ones that is, they do it just backwards from the way we do it over here. There the artist and postal officials select the color of the stamp before the engraving is started.

Over here, they let some amateurs cram a mediocre design down the POD throats, then after the die is engraved, proofs are pulled in various colors so that the PMG can select the one which seems to be halfway decent. I believe the Bureau of Engraving and Printing has top notch engravers—our stamps, most of them, show it. But when they are handicapped with poor designs and colors it's just awful tough to produce anything which can be classed as among the world's best regularly.

Another, who had a lot of company, wrote, "Common sense and not politics should be the guide to future stamp issues. I would like very much to see more use of color in U. S. postage stamps. I think some flower, bird and animal stamps are very much in order to put U. S. stamps on a par with the stamps from many other parts of the world."

Amen, brother!

A roast for the Mr. Rushmore stated, "The classic example of poor designing is the Mt. Rushmore which looks very much better upside-down than it does right-side up. Have you noticed how many letters in commercial use have this stamp stuck on upside-down? The stenographers and office boys of the nation who put the stamps on letters unconsciously judged this stamp for us—and judged it correctly."

While the members of the stamp club at the Harriman Union Free School of Harriman, N. Y., didn't vote the B & O any title, they concluded in their lively discussion about the various stamps that it had every historical right to be had every historical right to be.

They carried their interest over into the field of "Civics". A comment in the accompanying letter reads, "This topic (B & O) brought out several facts. In our school district the Erie R. R. pays 10 per cent of the school taxes, the trucks nothing. Moreover, the R. R. pays to maintain its own right of way, while the taxpayers help to keep open and maintain the highways free of expense to the trucking companies."

I was even scolded! A Minnesota man wrote:

"See here Mr. Rueth how can you sit there every year and give your design views with the expectations that we are all going to copy your ideas of which stamp is the best and which stamp is the worst designed. Why don't you

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wait until after the design derby is over with and then give us your views?"

The record speaks for itself, brother: If you think I influenced voters here is the way I picked them in my column of December 22, about the halfway mark in the balloting period. I wrote:

"As the best design from the engraving, color and picture standpoint I like the Engineers. In second place I like the B & O which if it had a better color would have been selected as the champion. In third place is the Red Cross."

"In my estimation the Lafayette wins the Worst Design title hands down."

"The Least Necessary is undoubtedly the Newsboys."

"And the Design Most Appropriate To The Subject, the B & O."

The official ending was Red Cross, 80c Airmail and Bible in the first second and third best designs. Mt. Rushmore was Worst, the B & O was Least Necessary, and the Red Cross Most Appropriate Design. Did I influence anyone? Ha!

You can't flim-flam the public very often — the recent national elections prove that.

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NEW ONES FROM ANDORRA. On January 8, 1953 the tiny independent republic of Andorra between Spain and France, and influenced politically by both, issued four new items for the regular postage series. The above four on cover came from the Spanish post office there. Denominations and colors are 5c red orange and 10c blue both of the current Edelweiss design; a 25c orange in the Provost design and a 4 Pesetas ultramarine with the Map design. Carlos Lenze, Barquillo 29, Madrid, Spain sent the above.

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In 1948 a campaign was started to raise funds through the seals by using a regular mailing list, asking those who were interested to return the money to Legion headquarters. Eighteen thousand letters were mailed that year and \$6,000 were contributed.

During 1949, 1950 and 1951 a professional service was employed, mailing seals to everyone listed in the local telephone directory. This required about 45,000 letters each year. The returns in 1949 were roughly \$18,000, in 1950—\$17,000, and in 1951—\$16,000.



In 1948 the funds were used to help establish the Lancaster Heart Association. The returns from 1949 on, together with the general interest created, encouraged the Lancaster Heart Assn. to establish a convalescent home. This was opened in April, 1950 and the

seal fund from the Legion helped in a large part to open and operate the Children's Heart Haven.



The seals were designed by three local artists and experience showed that one design per year was better than the two designs used the first two years. The returned letters were opened in the Legion building by a group consisting of Legionnaires and the Women's Auxiliary of the Lancaster City and County Medical society.

All seals are dated and all were printed in red on white paper with the exception of one type in 1947 and one type in 1948 which were printed in black on white with a red heart in the center.

Sheet form of both types of the 1947 seals consisted of 11 across and three down, constituting a sheet of 33 seals. As the sheets were straight edged on all four sides, this left only nine perforated four sides seals to a sheet against 24 straight edge seals.

The 1948 seals were issued in sheets of 40, straight edged four sides and arranged five across by eight down, giving 18 perforated four sides and 22 straight edge seals.

From 1949 to date the seals were issued in sheets of 100 seals, 10 x 10, which were straight edged on three sides and perforated at either the top or bottom.

New Quarters For Empire State Club

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Finland Has One For Temperance

Finland on January 27 released a 25 markka propaganda stamp to the tune of 2,000,000 copies publicizing a temperance movement centenary.

According to Georg A. Gustafsson of Helsingfors, Finland Mrs. Signe Hammarsten-Jansson was responsible for the design and B. Ekholm for the engraving. The design pictures a boy and a girl holding lighted torch aloft, and has the inscription "Raattius Nykerhet" ("Temperance").

FLORIDA

As this appears in print I will be in Florida on a buying trip. Would like to hear from others who wish to sell. Am flying down but will be driving as far north as Charleston and as far west as New Orleans. Mail addressed to Elsie will be forwarded.

Wilfred P. Betts
Elsie, Mich.

Jap Occupation Stationery Catalog

Catalogue of POSTAL STATIONERY issues of the Japanese Occupation of China by Robert M. Spaulding Jr. Part I: Manchuria (MANCHUKUO).

Supplement to the Bulletin of the International Society for Japanese Philately. Dec. 1952. 15 pages.

For those who have long been accumulating Postal Stationery of Manchukuo without benefit of any but the most rudimentary listing, Mr. Spaulding's catalogue is of the greatest help. In it are listed 121 major varieties and three important minor varieties of stationery. Information is given so that those perfectionist collectors who want every little variation may be on the watch for them. Mr. Spaulding lists among the major varieties two or three easily identifiable differences in paper colors which the collector is at liberty to distinguish and add to his collection as he acquires them.

In addition to the list, Mr. Spaulding has included information about designers, printers, dates of issue, etc., which gives the collector plenty of facts to use in the write-up of his material. Through 1942 this catalogue is based on highly specialized catalogues written in Japanese. From then on it is the result of Mr. Spaulding's own research.

Mr. Spaulding is to be congratulated on the completeness of his catalogue and the intelligent arrangement and selection of material. He has added greatly to the happiness of the collectors of Postal Stationery.

This catalogue may be purchased by sending 50 cents to Mrs. Conway Zirkle (Sec. International Society for Japanese Philately) 2307 Secane Road Secane, Penna.

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Janet van den Berg
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As everyone knows, our hobby has been cursed in recent years by large numbers of sets of stamps of doubtful authenticity inspired by wholesalers in various parts of the world who negotiate deals whereby they provide designs, make arrangements with printers and then get control of most of the product, errors of various kinds included, very few of the so-called "stamps" ever getting out to the remote backward land reputedly issuing them.

I some time ago quoted an Indian correspondent who reported that one party was negotiating with a Tibetan group for two bi-colored triangular and octagonal sets, one for ordinary mail and one for airmail, which were to portray native scenes and bear pictures of Washington, Lincoln, Britain's sovereign etc.

Such stuff of course has great sales appeal and is shipped out of wholesale warehouses by the bale as it were but there's always one fly in the ointment — Scott refuses to recognize the material. Yvert and Michel sometimes do, which makes sales in French and German lands possible, but that's nothing compared to the great American market. With the house of Scott taking the stand it does to protect the collector against exploitation, few here except juveniles and packet buyers can be persuaded to take on the stuff and this severely crimps "merchandizing."

Persistent rumor has it that the promoters of such issues are about to underwrite the publication of a catalog to compete with Scott's "Bible", the new book to include all the questionable material so that it can be advertised "Numbers so and so, catalogued at so and so much", and the work to be sold at an exceedingly low price to insure mass distribution. That would be an interesting proposition and lots of us would be standing on the side lines looking askance as inexperienced enthusiasts were being wooed and "converted".

Actually it seems an unnecessary expensive experiment. It would be far easier favorably to condition juveniles and uninformed purchasers by bringing out a series of cheap albums with spaces for all this rubbish. Then there would be a run to get it to fill spaces!

Mature collectors are certainly not going to be bamboozled by the appearance of a new catalogue designed to serve a purpose and, if anything, such a venture would certainly boomerang — dealers know what's what and wouldn't be parties to any such deal.

Used Cayman Island stamps are not particularly scarce but Rural Post cancelled copies are and are well worth keeping an eye open for. These are struck in purple and read "Rural Post Collection Grand Cayman" and "East End Grand Cayman Rural Post Collection", in rectangular frames in both cases. I have found a good many on Edwardian and George V reign issues, especially the low values.

Most collectors don't give them a second glance, mistaking them for fiscally-used copies. Actually, they are worth from \$5-\$15 each to specialists who are always on the lookout for new ones.

Now that the Maldives Islands have become a republic and are to have new stamps marking the change in government, collectors in the know are scrambling for the

to the turn of the century, but must remember that everyone collected stamps of the world then and that completion was still the goal.

Now, after half a century, when general collecting has virtually ceased and most everyone is country-specializing, there has been a great recrudescence of interest in cards, envelopes and wrappers, and old stocks are being hauled out for inspection by eager buyers.

The famous old Gibbons stock, dumped two generations ago, is now being dispersed after having passed through several hands, and a group here in the USA is about to begin publication of a postal stationery catalogue, the first in any language for many years, on a serial basis.

A good many dealers are now mailing out price lists, catalogs, ordinary letters and greetings and announcement cards from the United Nations Building, franked with UN stamps. Needless to say, that makes a big hit with collector-customers. I imagine that Uncle Sam feels slightly differently about the matter.

E. J. Hood, who trades as H. Lobb (a quaint British custom) has just issued a nice 12-page Australian list which I have found very interesting. It's free for the asking. The address is 19 Douglas Road, Southbourne, Bournemouth, England.

One of the best manuals for the beginner in philately which I have every seen is Ruth T. Robertson's Stamp Collecting, published by the Educational Research Bureau, 1217 Thirteenth St. N.W., Washington, D.C. and widely distributed through that organization's syndicated newspaper feature service. Every time it's offered, orders from all over the country pour in on the Bureau from non-collectors eager to find out what the hobby is like, and many of them become avid philatelists.

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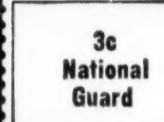
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While everyone is clamoring for the exhibition panes, Byrd sheets and the like, we think it is worth noting that there is an equally good demand and strong market for certain used U. S. commems.

Our December 18 bulletin carried two ads on wholesale quantities of used Cipex at \$50.00 per 1000 and used Flag sets @ \$44.50 per 100, with the result that orders exceeding \$1000 eventually developed from these two simple listings. We can recall that two years after they were issued, used Cipex wholesaled from 8¢ to 10¢ each, so the current 5¢ per one, per 1000 rate is easy to understand as a speculative possibility.

Another factor accounting for the interest in used wholesale commems, is the relative lack of firm offerings received by us, as compared to the regular mint sheet and scrap lots being handled. In these days of metered mail, the controlled mail operations become much less profitable than in the good old days of cheap and casual labor, and this might also account for the relative scarcity of real wholesale quantities of the better U. S. commems.

Back in the Mint Dept., Flag name blocks have turned in a good performance over the past several months. Not too long ago it was possible to pick up the complete set of thirteen blocks of four at about the \$5.00 level. More recently they have climbed to \$6.00, and right now they have advanced even further to \$6.75 and our current issue carries a new high Ask of \$7.50.

There may not be much trading at this level now, but with the market advancing as it is, no doubt Flag Name will shortly be trading at this advance figure. Obviously the complete set of sheets will have to improve in some measure, and of late quantities of sheets have been trading at the present published quotations.

—W. W. Scholl

Beverly Hills Show Has Late March Dates

One of Chicago's oldest clubs, the Beverly Hills Philatelic Society is announcing the dates of its annual exhibition. It will be set up in the Ridge Park Field House, 96th and Longwood Dr. from March 27 to 29.

Collectors wanting further information can write to K. A. Rogers, 1631 W. 102nd St., Chicago 43, Illinois.

—J. M. Scheck, 816 E. 176th St., New York 60, N. Y. has what he claims is a rather sizeable stock of six different countries. One of them is the United States for which he has a price and check list, free. He also has France & Colonies, Germany & Colonies, South America, Israel and British Colonies. Mr. Scheck invites want lists in any of these.

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Publish Special For Italian Group

The third of Italy Stamp Group's special "publication projects" was successfully completed with the release, on December 6, of a special Italy and Italy Stamp Group issue of Stamps.

The special issue includes a documented article on the Scott-unlisted Italian set of 1922 in honor of the Trieste Philatelic Congress and interesting random notes on the various Italian AMGs.

A third article gives considerable detail on the little-known subject of the British "M.E.F." overprints used in occupied Italian territories during World War II.

During the past year and a half, similar special Italy issues have still another article deals with the stamps of Tuscany. appeared in LINN'S and Chambers stamp publications. Italy Stamp Group is now working on other issues in conjunction with other publications, as part of the continuing program for popularizing Italian philately.

Dealer Doings

A price list of the stamps of Europe which is sent free to requests has been prepared by H. N. Germer, 104 Mancil Rd., Media, Pa.

While the coverage is extra good for most of Europe, Mr. Germer points out that there is a strong representation of the issues of Netherlands, Italy and Colonies, the Vatican and Belgium. Mention Linn's when writing.

H. E. Harris and Co., the Boston, Mass. and world's largest stamp firm, announce that the facilities of their recently established branch office at Derry, N. H. will be devoted for the most part to the assembly of the Honor Bilt Packets and work of a similar nature. Thirty to fifty local residents are to be employed at the New Hampshire plant.

A well-illustrated price list of United States and Possessions, Confederates, Canada and Newfoundland is offered by Kenneth Thompson, 5426 W. Walton St., Chicago 51, Ill. for 10¢ refundable on the first order. He has also prepared a "Buying List" quoting prices he will pay for U. S. Mint Sheets, and selling for 25¢ per copy also refundable.

Antonio Hebert, P. O. Box 441, Gardena, Calif. advises that the second edition of his plate number catalog is off the press. Contained are all numbers since 1932. There are two sections one for plate blocks, the other for plate singles. Positions are individually priced at what is claimed are reliable market quotations. Selling price is two dollars.

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BRITISH GUIANA. The \$1.00 stamp of 1938, #239 exists with various perforations and is priced in Scott at \$1.10 regardless of perforation. If perforated 13 x 14 the price in Gibbons' 1953 catalogue is six pounds.

The Gibbon's George VI catalogue, recently released, prices this stamp perf. 14x13 or 13x14 at 12 pounds. The latest Gibbon's Monthly changes this price to 16 pounds. Better check.

COLOR GUIDE. There have been many color guides offered to stamp collectors, but most of these have been unsatisfactory. Stanley Gibbons have recently released an excellent color guide, showing 75 colors most useful in stamp description, with printed notes, specially written to help you understand the color problem.

These color guides can be supplied in the U. S. at 80¢ by Alex A. Jason, 911 Tenth St. N. W., Grand Rapids 4, Mich., who also can supply all Gibbons' albums etc. including the 1953 recently issued catalogue of George VI stamps at \$1.00.

The Gibbon's Instanta perforation gauge is a must in searching for the scarce perforation varieties. The price is 80¢.

CORONATIONS 1953. In order to release all the Crown Colony Coronation stamps at one time, it is necessary to complete some colonies long in advance. I have seen the stamps of two colonies, but was unable to borrow same for reproduction here. These large stamps are very fine and the entire series should be very popular.

JAMAICA. The 1935 Jamaica Constitution set of seven values (129/135) is still available here at a low price, with the demand rather small. All British West Indies stamps are popular, especially those from Jamaica and this set cannot remain at the present price very long. The total face value is 18 shillings and the present retail price is from \$3.25 to \$3.50. Looks like a good item to lay away.

GOLD COAST. This colony won the race for the first colonial Elizabeth stamp by releasing a 2½ pence. This may be good publicity, but may affect popularity, especially with dealers, most of whom refuse to stock this single low value stamp.

The original announcement stated that five new stamps would be issued and dealers are waiting for the other four to be released, so that they can offer all at one time.

TRENGGANU. In 1941 this Straits Territory released two low value surcharged stamps—2c on 5c, and 8c on 10c (45/46). Scott's Catalogue prices these at \$7.50 each or \$15.00 for the two.

The English catalogues are about 65% to 75% lower. A large American dealer's ad recently offered these stamps at \$6.00 each or \$12.00 for the two. Another dealer's price list offers these at \$3.75 for the pair?? Which is correct?

COMMONWEALTH CATALOGUE. This catalogue has been a complete sell out and is no longer available except from some dealer who happens to have some left. One dealer advises that he has just 5 copies on hand, (too small a supply to advertise) and the first five collectors, who send me \$1.50 will probably get them. I will forward your orders to the dealer who has these five copies.

Helps San Diego Children Collect

Mel C. Hill, of San Diego, Calif. likes kids and he hates to see them get into trouble. Believing that busy youngsters will avoid the latter he has called upon the hobby he has followed for more than 25 years to keep many of the young people of his community occupied.

As you might have guessed, he does it with stamps—stamps which are duplicates from his own and his father's collection and holdings. Crippled children, the boys club and the local orphanage all have had visits and help from Hill for their stamp collections.

As chairman of the Child Welfare committee of North Island American Legion Post 753 he gets a lot of requests for philatelic help and so far he has been able to meet most of them. But with the expanding demand of his activities

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"YOU GOTTA GROW IT IF YOU WANTA EAT IT" states the Australian government with an issue of postage stamps to be released February 11. The designs of the three above stamps, all 3½d red, are propaganda encouraging Australians to farm better and grow more. These same designs will also be used for 3d green stamps. While hardly prize winners from a design viewpoint they nevertheless will probably serve the purpose for which they were created —making people food production conscious. The above are shown through the courtesy of Major R. C. Dettman, 72 Marlow St., Wembly, Western Australia.

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Nine days after Virginia's birth, grandpa White sailed to England for needed supplies, but the Spanish war prevented his return. Four years later aid was sent from England, but all trace of the colony on Roanoke Island had vanished, and its fate has ever remained unknown.

(My guess would be Indians — what's yours?).

Note - This stamp is one of two commemoratives in square format, measuring exactly 1 in. x 1 in. The imaginary picture thereon depicts little Virginia in the lap of her happy mama Ellinor Dare, as smiling papa Ananias Dare stands over them with his musket.

How many Virginia Dare stories have you heard? I know somebody who thought she was the one who pleaded for Captain John Smith's life; oh well, what difference? Princess Pocahontas didn't want him for herself anyway — she married another man.

H. M. Brechin
NEW LONDON, WIS.

DESIGN DERBY

(Continued from page 1)

pressure conscious POD to rechristen this item as marking the 500th anniversary of the first printing from movable type.

The Bible is claimed to be the first book so printed, by Johannes Gutenberg at Mainz, Germany in 1453. Scholars claim there is no basis in fact for assuming the Gutenberg Bible to be the first book printed from movable type, or that it was completed in that year. They state the event could have occurred several years before or after 1453.

Votes this year were received from each of the 48 states, Alaska, Hawaii, Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, and several European and Latin American countries.

The one coming the longest distance was sent by the Rev. Michael J. O'Connor, Catholic Mission, Tien Chung, Formosa.

Balloons were sent in by individuals, stamp clubs and families.

The Annual Stamp Design Derby was originated and staged for the first time in any philatelic publication in 1948 by Carl P. Rueth, managing editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, and writer of the popular "U. S. Notes." He has promoted an annual contest each year since that date, the current one being the fifth.

Attesting to the active interest with which readers join in the choosing is the fact that each year an ever increasing number of persons "file returns." Over 20 percent more replies were received in the just-closed Fifth Annual, than the previous record year of 1951. The total was close to 7000.

Many expressed themselves as feeling participation in the annual Design Derbies is their only means of telling the Post Office Department of their likes and dislikes where postage stamps are concerned.

In 1948, the first year, the winner was the Lincoln Gettysburg; in

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8. EACH LOT in this sale will be sold to the highest bidder at a 25c advance over the second highest bid received. In the case of successful bids under \$5.00, a 10c advance over the second highest bid will be honored.

9. SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS known to me and those furnishing Bona-Fide references will have their lots forwarded immediately, on the closing date of the sale. Other successful bidders will be notified immediately and their lots will be forwarded upon receipt of payment in full. I request that payment be sent within 5 days after notification or receipt of lots.

10. ONLY THE ACTUAL Postage and Insurance will be added.

11. DESCRIPTIONS: There is a complete and clear description of each lot. The descriptions are accurate, honest and GUARANTEED. I expect the success of the **ROCHESTER MAIL STAMP AUCTIONS** to stand, greatly on this merit.

12. CATALOGUE NUMBERS AND PRICES: Scott's U. S. Specialized, 1952.

KEY: —Used, full original gum; —Used; —Block; —Cover. Mini means Never Hinged; NO—No gum. SUPERB—Perfect; VF—Near SUPERB; FINE—Postals, clear of design. R—Right; L—Left; S—Side; Top; B—Bottom. OC—Off Center.

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BIDS CLOSE FEBRUARY 28, 1953

UNITED STATES

Lot #	Scott #	Description	Cat. Val.
1 ○	#116	10c '69, V. Lt. canc., Fresh & VF	8.50
2 ○	#118	15c '69, 4 Wide margins, A beauty, VF	32.50
3 ○	#119	15c '69, Choice copy, Superb	9.00
4 ○	#119	15c '69, V. Lt. red canc. Fresh, JF	9.00
5 ★	#217	30c '88, Fresh OG GEM—Almost Superb	9.00
6 ★■	#219	1c 1890, Blk 4 Superb & Mint	3.00
7 ★	#226	& 28 10c & 30c, mint sgl. of ea., JF	14.00
8 ○	#230-37	1c-10c Col., Selected set, F-VF	4.76
9 ★	#213 var.	2c Col., Broken Hat, F & bry hngd	2.00
10 ★	#234	5c Col., Superb & Mint	2.75
11 ○	#239	30c Col., Lightly, Canceled, Fine	7.50
12 ★	#240	50c Col., VF & Mint, tiniest thin spot	16.00
13 ○	#263	\$5.00 '94, well centd., slight thinning	95.00
14 ★	#281-2	5c & 6c '98, F-VF, Mint sgl. of each	4.15
15 ○■	#283	10c '98, Fine blk 4, minute defects	7.50
16 ○	#285-90	1c-10c Trans. VF set	8.73
17 ○	#291	50c Trans. VF copy	10.00
18 ○	#292	\$1.00 Trans. VF & Lt. Cancel. Nice	50.00
19 ★	#298	8c Pan Am. Fresh VF & Mint	5.00
20 ★	#299	10c Pan Am. Fresh, VF & Mint	7.50
21 ○■	#301	2c '02, blk of 4, Superb & Mint	2.00
22 ★	#314	1c '02, Horiz. Imp. pair, VF & Mint	3.00+
23 ○	#315	5c '02, Lt. cancel, nice margins, VF	50.00
24 ★	#323-7	1c-10c LP., Fresh mint set, JF-F	29.50
25 ○	#325	3c LP., VF, OG sgl.	5.00
26 ★	#326	5c LP., Superb & lightly hinged	6.50
27 ★	#327	10c LP., VF & Mint	15.00
28 ★	#330	5c Jamestown, Choice, VF OG	6.75
29 ■	#346	4c Imp., L. arrow blk 4, VF & Mint	25.00
30 ○	#356	10c Coil, Well centd., 2mm tear at B	72.50
31 ★	#368	2c Lincoln Imp. Superb, Mint horiz pair	8.00+
32 ★	#369	2c Lincoln Blue paper, lightly hinged & VF	15.00
33 ★■	#370	2c Alaska, JF blk 4, Mint	3.75
34 ★	#371	2c Alaska Imp., OG & Superb	5.50
35 ★	#373	2c Fulton Imp., VF horiz pair, Mint	9.00+
36 ★	#373	2c Fulton Imp., Fine, OG sgl.	4.50
37 ★	#380	8c '11, Superb, OG sgl.	5.25
38 ★	#391	Coil pair, Guideline, About Superb	5.50
39 ★	#396	5c Coil, VF Mint sgl.	2.25
40 ★	#397-400	1c-10c Pan Pac, choice set Mint & VF	16.60
41 ★	#399	5c Pan Pac., Vert Pr., Superb & Mint	11.00
42 ★	#400	10c Pan Pac., Fresh Mint & VF	10.00
43 ★	#401-2	1c & 2c Pan Pac. VF-Superb & Mint	8.00
44 ★	#403	5c Pan Pac., OG Exceptionally Fine	14.00
45 ○	#404	10c Pan Pac., Fine, lightly canc. copy	6.50
46 ★	#447 & 458	5c Coils, VF-Superb Gde.line pr. ea.	5.75
47 ★	#480	\$5.00 Marshall, JF, OG sgl.	16.00
48 ★■	#481-2	Top Pl#blk of 6 each, Superb & Mint	3.85
49 ★	#499N	5c Red Error, Fresh OG sgl. perfs cut $\frac{1}{2}$ mm.	35.00
50 ★■	#532b	2c Offset Imp. blk 4, VF & Mint	7.50
51 ★■	#537	3c Victory, Mint blk 4, JF	4.75
52 ★	#547	\$2.00 Franklin, A Superb, OG sgl.	15.00
53 ○	#548-50	1c-5c Pilgrims, A Superb set	3.12
54 ★■	#550	5c Pilgrim, Fresh mint blk 4	

Airmails - Parcel Post - Special Delivery

Lot #	Scott #	Description	Cat. Val.
107 ★	#C1-3	1st Issue, Fine, OG set	15.50
108 ★	#C2 16c.	VF, OG copy	7.50
109 ★	#C4-6	2nd Issue, Fine, OG set	14.35
110 ★	#C4&5 8&16c.	Mint sgl. Fine & VF	6.85
111 ★	#C4 8c VF-Superb	Mint blk of 4	6.00
112 ○	#C5&6 16&24c.	sgl. of ea., VF & Superb	6.50
113 ★	#C18 50c Zepp.	fresh OG blk 4, VF	37.50
114 ★	Same,	Vert. Mint pair, VF	18.00+
115 ★	Same,	Superb sgl., barely hinged	9.00
116 ★	Another,	Fine, Mint copy	9.00
117 ○	#C18, F-VF	blk 4 tied to VF Flown Cover	37.50+
118 ○	A Superb	sgl tied to VF Flown Cover	9.00+
119 ★	#C24 30c Trans.	Superb-Mint blk 4	5.50
120 ★	#Q1, 3, 5 P.P.	F-VF OG blk 4 of each	6.35
121 ★	#E4 S.D.	VF, OG, Tiny pinhead thin	13.50
Ducks - Departmentals - Proofs - Locals			
122 ★	#RW1	Fine, OG and Lightly hinged	15.00
123 ★	#RW1	Fine, Bright copy, NG	15.00
124 ★	#RW2	Very Fine and lightly hinged	22.50
125 ★	#RW2	Fresh Mint copy, Fine	22.50
126 ★	#RW3	Superb, & barely hinged	8.00
127 ★	#RW3	Very Fine, OG copy	8.00
128 ★	#RW4	Fine & barely hinged	7.50
129 ★	#RW5	Very Fine, Mint copy	9.00
130 ★	#RW9-13&15 (6)	VF-Superb, barely hinged	15.00
131 ○	#O15-24 Interior set	Cpl., Avge. Fine	11.00
132 ○	#O25-27 Justice,	Fine, 1c short perf.	8.75
133 ★	#O28-30 Justice,	NG, Avge-VF	14.50
134 ★	#O31 15c Justice,	NG, Fine	11.00
135 ○	#O33 30c Justice,	Average & crease	15.00
136 ○	#O35-38, 40, 41, 44	Navy, JF-F	12.25
137 ★	#O45 90c Navy,	JF, NG, Scarce	25.00
138 ○	#O47-56 P.O. set	Cpl., JF-VF nice	13.95
139 ○	#O57-62 State,	JF-F	14.00
140 ★	#O83&87 1c&7c War,	JF, 7c NG	12.50
141 ○	Balance of War set, (9),	mostly Fine	8.25
142 ★	#O122 50c Official Mail,	Mint, JF, Scarce	9.00
143 ★	#J1P2-7	Small Die set Cpl., VF	35.00
144 ★	#O47P2-56	Small Die set Cpl., VF, 6c torn	40.00
145 ★	#O83P2-93	Small Die set Cpl., VF	44.00
146 ★	#15L5 Blood & Co.,	Unused, VF	25.00
147 ★	#38L1 Chicago P.P.,	long tear but Rare	100.00
148 ○	#3LB2 Boston P.P.,	red canc. Nice	25.00

EXCEPTIONALLY NICE WHOLESALE GROUP

Lot #	Scott #	Description	Cat. Val.
214	★#C38	5c N.Y. 6 Very Fine, Mint Pl#blks of 4	14.10
215	★#Same	6 F-VF, Mint Pl#blks 4	14.10
216	★#Same	25 VF-Superb, Mint blks of 4	15.00
217	★#SH Same	VF, sheet 100, UL 23846	16.75
218	★#CE2	4 VF-Superb Mint Centerline blks 4	9.00
Clean Used Wholesale & Some Choice Covers			
219	○ #397	1c Pan Pac. 50 F-VF copies	6.00
220	○ #404	10c Pan Pac. 4 copies, JF	26.00
221	○ #537	3c Victory, 25 copies, F-VF	15.00
222	○ #548-50	Pilgrims, 3 Cpl. sets, F-VF	9.36
223	○ #610	2c Harding, 100 copies, F-VF	5.00
224	○ #628	5c Erie, 10 Fine copies, Incl. blk 4	6.40
225	○ #649-50	Aeros, 10 sets, F-VF	7.50
226	○ #629	White Plains, 25 Nice copies, F-VF	5.00
227	○ #655	Roty Edison, 100 F-VF copies	5.00
228	○ #702	Red Cross, 100 F-VF copies	5.00
229	○ #733	3c Byrd 50 VF copies	10.00
230	○ #735a	Byrd Imps. 25 VF-Superb copies	6.25
231	○ #736	Maryland, 100 F-VF copies	8.00
232	○ #740-49	Nat. Parks, 10 Cpl. sets, F-VF	8.10
233	○ #894	Pony Express, 100 F-VF copies	7.00
234	○ #895	Pan Am., 100 F-VF copies	6.00
235	○ #909-21	Flags, 5 VF Cpl. sets	6.30
236	○ #C7	10c Map, 100 F-VF copies	5.00
237	○ #735	Byrd sheet on VF, Cachedet 1st Day	1.75
238	○ #750	3c Park Sh. on Superb, Cachedet 1st Day	3.00
239	○ #752-65	Blk of 4 of each on 14 1st Days, F-VF	15.00
240	○ #771	blk 4 on 1st Day, VF except 2mm tear Est	5.00
241	○ #785-94	blk 4 each on 10 VF Chtd 1st Days E.	4.00
242	○ #921-28	1944 Commem Cpl. blk of 4 of each on 6 matching 1st Days, VF-Superb	2.50
243	○ #927-38	Ditto 45 Commems, 12 covers	Est. 3.75
244	○ #939-52	Ditto '46 & '47 Comms, 14 Covers	Est. 4.50
245	○ #953-80	Ditto '48 Commems, 28 Covers	Est. 8.50
246	○ #981-86	Ditto '49 Commems, 6 Covers	Est. 2.00
247	○ #987-97	Ditto '50 Commems, 11 Covers	Est. 3.00
248	○ #50	Diff. unused Civil War Patriotics, VF	Est. 9.00
249	★#37	Diff. as above, Fine, many Scarce	Est. 6.50
250	3 1951 Scott Cats.	Vol I & II & Specialized	
251	Ditto	Only 1952 (3 books)	

59 EXCELLENT BRITISH LOTS
Mostly Complete Sets

252 ★ Canada #100, Superb, Mint	2.25
253 ★ Canada #159, \$1.00 Parli. Extra Fine-Mint	12.50
254 ★ Canada #176, 50¢ Chapel, Extra Fine-Mint	10.00
255 ★ SH Canada #274, 4¢ P-L, VF Mint, sheet 50	1.00

**ALL STAMPS IN FOLLOWING 55 LOTS
ARE FRESH & BARELY HINGED**

256	★	Aden #1-12, Cpl. set, VF, Rare	72.30
257		Ascension #33-36, Jubilee Cpl., VF	20.20
258	★	Bermuda, #55-69, Cpl. 9 stamps, F-VF	19.16
259	○	Bermuda #93 used Superb	13.06
260	★	Bermuda #105-128 Cpl. VF	29.53
261	○	Br. Guiana #210-17 & 220-223, VF	23.05
262	★	Br. Honduras #115-126 Cpl. VF	12.85
263		Br. Sol. Isls. #60-63 Jubilee Cpl. VF	7.00
264		Burma #1-15, VF	14.45
265	★	Burma #19-31, VF	13.80
266	★	Cyprus #114-122 VF	20.85
267		Cyprus #125-135 Cpl. set, VF	15.02
268	○	Egypt #104 £1 Superb	4.06
269	○	Egypt #114 VF	5.00
270	★	Egypt #200-204 Cpl. set, VF	4.60
271		Falkland Isls. #84-95 Cpl. set Incl. A's, VF	14.75
272	★	Flk. Depend. #2L1-5L8 4 Cpl. sets, VF	8.20
273		Fiji #117-130 Cpl. set less 129B, Rare & VF	20.53
274	★	Gibraltar #107-117 Cpl. set less 109A, VF	11.92
275	★	Gilbert & Ellice #33-36 Jubilee Cpl. VF	14.25
276		Gold Coast #108-111 Jubilee Cpl. VF	5.15
277		Gold Coast #115-127 Cpl. set, VF	8.72
278	★	Grenada #132-142 Cpl. set VF	6.91
279	★	Hong Kong #161, Scarce & VF	6.00
280		Hong Kong #164, Very Scarce & VF	12.00
281	★	Hong Kong #168-175 2 Cpl. sets, VF	5.70
282	★	Kenya & Uganda #46-59 Cpl. set, Rare & VF	48.50
283	★	Malta #191-205 Cpl. set Incl. A's, VF	11.27
284	★	Mauritius #211-225 Cpl. set, VF	8.86
285	★	Montserrat #85-88 Jubilee set Cpl. VF	8.35
286	★	Muscat #1-15 Cpl. set VF	5.71
287		New Guinea #C46-58 VF & Very Scarce	36.55
288	★	Nigeria #38-49 Cpl. set VF & Scarce	41.00
289	★	Nigeria #53-63 Less 57 & 62 VF & Scarce	13.01
290	★	N. Borneo #193-206 VF	17.17
291	★	N. Rhodesia #25-39 Cpl. set VF	18.10
292		Nyasaland #38-46 Cpl. set VF	5.38
293	★	Nyasaland #47-50 Jubilee set Cpl. VF	5.10
294	★	Nyasaland #54-67 less A's, Cpl., VF	23.97
295		Papua #C5-15 2 Cpl. sets VF	13.05
296	★	St. Helena #101-107 VF	9.50
297	★	St. Helena #111-114 Jubilee set Cpl. VF	6.55
298	★	St. Helena #119 & 122, VF and Scarce	9.00
299	★	St. Lucia #91-94 Jubilee Cpl. VF	5.15
300	★	St. Lucia #95-106 Cpl. set VF & Scarce	22.10
301	★	Seychelles #125-148 Cpl. Incl. A's, VF & Rare	63.18
302		Sierra Leone #153-161 VF	14.90
303	★	Somalland #84-94 VF	17.05
304	★	S. W. Africa #159-162 Jubilee's Cpl. VF	13.45
305	★	S. W. Africa #C5-8 Cpl. pairs, VF	10.50
306	★	Kelantan #29-42 VF	12.18
307	★	Perak #69-83 Cpl. set VF	11.75
308	★	Malaya #45-59 Cpl. set Incl. A's, VF	17.40
309	○	Trinidad & Tobago #34-42 Cpl. set VF	7.12
310	★	Zanzibar #201-223 4 Cpl. sets VF	9.90

END OF AUCTION—THANK YOU